



National Service in Iowa



MEETING COMMUNITY NEEDS IN IOWA

More than 6,400 people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and increase civic engagement through national service in Iowa. Serving at more than 1,100 locations throughout the state, these citizens tutor and mentor children, support veterans and military families, provide health services, restore the environment, respond to disasters, increase economic opportunity, and recruit and manage volunteers.

This year, the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) will commit more than \$18,640,000 to support Iowa communities through national service initiatives. CNCS invests in cost-effective community solutions--working hand in hand with local partners to improve lives, expand economic opportunity, and engage citizens in solving problems in their communities. Serving in many of the state's most impoverished communities, CNCS provides vital support to schools, food banks, homeless shelters, community health clinics, youth centers, veterans service facilities, and other nonprofit and faith-based organizations at a time of growing demand for services. Through a unique public-private partnership, this federal investment will leverage an additional \$6,560,000 in other resources to strengthen community impact, build local support, and increase return on taxpayer dollars.

AmeriCorps: This year AmeriCorps will provide more than 1,000 individuals the opportunity to provide intensive, results-driven service to meet education, environmental, health, economic, and other pressing needs in communities across Iowa. Most AmeriCorps grant funding goes to the Iowa Commission on Volunteer Service, which in turn awards grants to nonprofit groups to respond to local needs. Most of the remainder of the grant funding is distributed by CNCS directly to multi-state and national organizations through a competitive grants process. Other individuals serve through AmeriCorps VISTA, whose members help bring individuals and communities out of poverty by serving full-time to fight illiteracy, improve health services, create businesses, and increase housing opportunities, and AmeriCorps NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps), a 10-month, full time residential program for men and women between the ages of 18 and 24. In exchange for their service, AmeriCorps members earn an education award that can be used to pay for college or to pay back qualified student loans. Since 1994, more than 8,800 Iowa residents have served more than 11 million hours and have qualified for Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards totaling more than \$27,320,000.

Senior Corps: More than 5,400 seniors in Iowa contribute their time and talents in one of three Senior Corps programs. Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one as tutors and mentors to more than 4,400 young people who have special needs. Senior Companions help more than 1,000 homebound seniors and other adults maintain independence in their own homes. RSVP volunteers conduct safety patrols, renovate homes, protect the environment, tutor and mentor youth, respond to natural disasters, and provide other services through more than 640 groups across Iowa.

Social Innovation Fund: The Social Innovation Fund transforms lives and communities using limited federal investment as a catalyst to grow the impact of nonprofits with evidence of strong results. It harnesses the expertise of grantmaking intermediaries to identify, evaluate and expand effective nonprofits and engages funding partners to contribute nearly three dollars to every one federal dollar invested. As the Social Innovation Fund network grows programs that work in Iowa, more people are able to overcome their most pressing challenges in the areas of economic opportunity, health, and youth development. The Social Innovation Fund is investing \$240,000 in expanding the impact of 1 nonprofit in Iowa.

The Corporation for National and Community Service is a federal agency that improves lives, strengthens communities, and fosters civic engagement through service and volunteering. CNCS annually engages more than five million Americans in service to meet local needs through Senior Corps, AmeriCorps, and national days of service; improves communities through the Social Innovation Fund, and leads President Obama's national call to service initiative, United We Serve. To learn more visit NationalService.gov or Serve.gov or call 202-606-5000 or TTY 1-800-833-3722.

Iowa At a Glance

AmeriCorps	Projects	Service Locations	Participants ¹	Education Scholarships ²	Program Funding
AmeriCorps National	5	14	76	\$402,698	\$368,167 ³
AmeriCorps NCCC Campus	-	-	240	\$1,354,800	\$4,088,828 ⁴
AmeriCorps State Competitive	10	150	519	\$1,435,801	\$2,701,205
AmeriCorps State Formula	6	60	139	\$620,532	\$1,429,741
AmeriCorps VISTA	8	37	59	\$328,305	\$946,183
AMERICORPS TOTAL	29	261	1,033	\$4,142,136	\$9,534,124
Senior Corps	Projects	Service Locations	Participants	Education Scholarships	Program Funding
Foster Grandparent Program	10	180	591	-	\$1,921,699
RSVP	18	645	4,535	-	\$859,867
Senior Companion Program	4	37	309	-	\$1,069,743
SENIOR CORPS TOTAL	32	862	5,435	-	\$3,851,309
Social Innovation Fund	Projects	Service Locations	Participants	Education Scholarships	Program Funding
Nonprofit Subgrantees	1	-	-	-	\$243,000
SOCIAL INNOVATION FUND TOTAL	1	-	-	-	\$243,000
Other Funding	Projects	Service Locations	Participants	Education Scholarships	Program Funding
State Commission Operations Support	1	-	-	-	\$209,800
Volunteer Generation Fund	2	-	-	-	\$664,811
OTHER FUNDING TOTAL	3	-	-	-	\$874,611
PROGRAM TOTALS	65	1,123 ⁵	6,468	\$4,142,136	\$14,503,044
TOTAL CNCS FUNDING (including Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards)					\$18,645,180
TOTAL LOCAL PROGRAM SUPPORT (Non-CNCS Resources)					\$6,569,750 ⁶
TOTAL CNCS FUNDING + TOTAL LOCAL PROGRAM SUPPORT					\$25,214,930

Notes: The data shown represents a snapshot in time. CNCS project sites, participants, and funding change throughout the year, so the data may not reflect current conditions.

- This figure represents the number of awarded positions available to be filled in the 2013 - 2014 program year. For AmeriCorps VISTA, this represents the actual number of VISTA members in active service.
- This figure represents the maximum potential value of Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards that can be earned by AmeriCorps members serving in Iowa. The award can be used in any state to pay for college, graduate school, vocational training, or to pay back student loans. The education award total is included in total CNCS funding.
- AmeriCorps National figures may include national programs headquartered in the state and/or operating sites of national programs that are headquartered in other states. Funding reflects the estimated proportionate share of the national grant associated with operating sites in this report. Some national organizations do not report operating site data, or it was not available at time of publishing, so figures may not reflect current conditions.
- Iowa is home to the North Central Region campus of AmeriCorps NCCC, located in Vinton. Members based at this campus perform service projects throughout Iowa and IL, IN, MI, MN, NE, ND, OH, SD, and WI.
- The service location total may contain multiple counts of unique locations where multiple CNCS programs are operating.
- As part of its public-private partnership approach, CNCS requires grantees to leverage additional resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on the federal investment. This figure reflects non-CNCS cash and in-kind resources that CNCS grantees and project sponsors have committed to raise to support their programming activities across the state.



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AmeriCorps

Graceland University's AmeriCorps Youth Launch engages 28 members who provide a youth-serving network through positive youth development activities in a six county region; one of the poorest and most rural areas of the state. Youth development is seen as a route to community development for this struggling, rural region. AmeriCorps members serve in school and community-based sites building programs that promote caring adults, safe places to learn and grow, healthy starts, effective education, and opportunities to serve. The program has a lasting impact by changing the culture of the community, positioning youth as community assets and leaders. A 2011 program evaluation yielded the following results: more than 80 percent of respondents rated the program good or excellent in "strengthening community," 95 percent said the program builds positive assets within the youth served, and 95 percent felt the program is effective in impacting youth positively.

AmeriCorps NCCC

Louisa County has more than 16,000 acres of public land in natural resources, which requires intensive land management. Involving and educating the public about natural resources is imperative to the public land's continued protection. The three public agencies (Louisa County Conservation Board, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and Iowa Department of Natural Resources) managing the land have limited staff resources to accomplish the task. AmeriCorps NCCC members assisted with prescribed burning, land management, environmental education, and helping plan the county's Earth Day Clean-up. Members had the opportunity to gain skills in event planning and environmental conservation.

AmeriCorps VISTA

The Meskwaki Food Sovereignty Initiative AmeriCorps VISTA Program sponsor by the Sac & Fox Tribe of the Mississippi in Iowa is utilizing four VISTA members to build capacity by developing of a thriving, healthy, local community food system. The goal of the initiative is to increase food security, health, education, and economic opportunities by increasing the availability of fresh, locally-raised foods. In 2013, the program wrapped up its first year of sponsorship and the amount of community conversations and community buy-in around local foods, traditional foods, and community food system development has increased significantly. More than 60 people attended a film festival; more than 22 people attended a planning event on food sovereignty; and four community members have stepped up to facilitate workshops.

Senior Corps

RSVP volunteers from the Central Iowa RSVP in Story City participated in a Winter Weatherization Challenge and weatherized 66 homes of 189 low-income or frail elderly individuals in Story and Marshall Counties. Volunteers received training, conducted assessments of energy-related needs in the homes, and according to homeowner needs, put plastic on windows, sealed leaks in door and window frames, installed door sweeps, caulked around windows and doors, and shared energy savings tips with homeowners. Of the homeowners who received the volunteers' services 90 percent reported that they learned about a new energy-saving tip and 89 percent said that their homes were more energy efficient as a result of the weatherization.

Social Innovation Fund

Central Iowa Works Funding Collaborative (CIWFC) serves a multicounty region of Central Iowa and was awarded an initial grant of \$600,000 over two years by Social Innovation Fund (SIF) intermediary Jobs for the Future, which they will match dollar-for-dollar. The SIF investment will allow CIWFC to scale of their investment in workforce partnerships in the health care, energy, and financial services sectors. They will also establish a new advanced manufacturing partnership. Through these workforce partnerships, CIWFC expects to support 455 job seekers and 355 incumbent workers in their efforts to prepare for, attain, and advance in family-supporting jobs.

Volunteer Generation Fund

The Siouxland Volunteer Center in Sioux City, a Volunteer Generation Fund grantee, has taken an active role in providing educational presentations to community groups, such as college students, recent retirees, the Mayor's Youth Ambassadors and unemployed individuals through the local workforce center. These presentations, including, "Volunteer for Your Future," Volunteer NOW!" and "So You Are Retired, Now What?" have garnered positive community feedback. The recent presentation at the workforce center has allowed the center to connect two unemployed individuals with computer skills to local nonprofits for web development. The volunteers have reported that the networking and skill-building has been great for their resume and enable them to keep their skills sharp while they look for employment. The nonprofits report that the value of the volunteers' work has been tremendous to their agencies.



AMERICORPS TOTALS	PARTICIPANTS	PROGRAMS/PROJECTS
CURRENT (as of March 2, 2014)	1,033	30
COMPLETED (within last 12 months)	344	26

Primary City	Program/Project Name Sponsor Organization	Number of Participants	Program Type
Ames	Iowa (Current) Conservation Corps Minnesota and Iowa	40	AmeriCorps National
Ames	Iowa AmeriCorps 4H Outreach Program (Current) Iowa State University	31	AmeriCorps State Formula
Cedar Falls	Green Iowa AmeriCorps (Current) University of Northern Iowa	25	AmeriCorps State Formula
Cedar Rapids	Each One Reach One AmeriCorps Project (Current) Community Corrections Improvement Association	52	AmeriCorps State Competitive
Cedar Rapids	Miracles in Motion (July 15 - August 2, 2013) Miracles in Motion Therapeutic Equestrian Center, Inc.	8	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects
Cedar Rapids	VISTA Reintegration Planning Program (Current) Community Corrections Improvement Association	5	AmeriCorps VISTA
Cedar Rapids	Youth Achievement AmeriCorps Program (Current) United Way of East Central Iowa	10	AmeriCorps State Competitive
Center Junction	Jones County Conservation Board (August 9 - September 27, 2013) Jones County Conservation Board	11	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects
Chelsea	Iowa River Corridor & Necedah NWR (March 18 - April 26, 2013) US Fish and Wildlife Service Region 3 South Zone	10	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects
Coggon	Coggon Area Betterment Association (October 21 - November 2, 2013) Coggon Area Betterment Association	7	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects
Davenport	BBBS AmeriCorps Consortium for Eastern Iowa (Current) Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Mississippi Valley	12	AmeriCorps State Competitive
Davenport	City of Davenport AmeriCorps/Youth Corps Program (Current) City of Davenport	35	AmeriCorps State Formula
Des Moines	American Red Cross NPRC - Iowa Region (Current) American National Red Cross DC	16	AmeriCorps National
Des Moines	AmeriCorps Partnering to Protect Children (Completed) Prevent Child Abuse Iowa	8	AmeriCorps State Formula
Des Moines	Building Local Assets (Current) Iowa Council of Foundations	10	AmeriCorps VISTA
Des Moines	Des Moines Public Schools AmeriCorps (Current) Des Moines Independent Community School District	68	AmeriCorps State Competitive
Des Moines	HFH - Greater Des Moines (April 1 - April 26, 2013) Greater Des Moines Habitat for Humanity	11	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects
Des Moines	Iowa Campus Compact AmeriCorps Program (Completed) Iowa Western Community College	170	AmeriCorps State Formula
Des Moines	Iowa Campus Compact VISTA Community Corps (Current) Iowa Western Community College	14	AmeriCorps VISTA
Des Moines	Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Violence AmeriCorps (Current) Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Violence	10	AmeriCorps State Formula
Des Moines	Iowa College AmeriCorps Program (Current) Iowa Western Community College	170	AmeriCorps State Competitive
Des Moines	Iowa Green Veterans AmeriCorps Program (Completed) Iowa Dept. of Natural Resources	10	AmeriCorps State Formula
Des Moines	Iowa Legal Aid AmeriCorps Project (Current) Iowa Legal Aid	11	AmeriCorps State Competitive
Des Moines	Iowa Public Health Association (IPHA) AmeriCorps HealthCorps (Completed) Iowa Public Health Association Foundation	10	AmeriCorps State Formula
Des Moines	Iowa Reading Corps AmeriCorps Program (Current) United Ways of Iowa	13	AmeriCorps State Formula
Des Moines	Keepers of the Land AmeriCorps (Current) Iowa Dept. of Natural Resources	92	AmeriCorps State Competitive
Des Moines	NCAT - Midwest (Current) FoodCorps, Inc.	13	AmeriCorps National



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Des Moines	NCAT Midwest Regional Office (Completed) National Center for Appropriate Technology	3	AmeriCorps National
Des Moines	Public Allies Iowa AmeriCorps (Current) Public Allies, Inc.	25	AmeriCorps State Formula
Des Moines	Rebuilding Together Greater Des Moines (Current) Rebuilding Together, Inc	2	AmeriCorps National
Des Moines	UNITED WAY OF CENTRAL IOWA (Current) United Way of Central Iowa	3	AmeriCorps VISTA
Des Moines	Veterans Outreach Project (Completed) Central Iowa Shelter & Services	-	AmeriCorps VISTA
Des Moines	Volunteer Iowa: Statewide VISTA Corps (Current) Iowa Commission on Volunteer Service	13	AmeriCorps VISTA
Dubuque	Dubuque's Third Grade Reading Initiative (Current) City of Dubuque	3	AmeriCorps VISTA
Dubuque	Partners in Learning AmeriCorps Program (Current) City of Dubuque	48	AmeriCorps State Competitive
Harpers Ferry	Effigy Mounds (May 3 - May 31, 2013) Effigy Mounds National Monument	10	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects
Hazleton	Buchanan County Conservation Board (March 18 - April 26, 2013) Buchanan County Conservation Board	10	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects
Hopkinton	Delaware County Historical Society (June 3 - June 14, 2013) Delaware County Historical Society	8	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects
Iowa City	Coralville Lake Project (July 15 - August 2, 2013) U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	-	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects
Iowa City	Coralville Lake Project (July 15 - August 2, 2013) U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	7	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects
Lamoni	AmeriCorps Youth Launch (Current) Graceland University	25	AmeriCorps State Competitive
Mason City	Habitat for Humanity of Iowa AmeriCorps (Current) Habitat for Humanity of Iowa, Inc.	31	AmeriCorps State Competitive
Mc Gregor	Effigy Mounds (May 3 - May 31, 2013) Effigy Mounds National Monument	-	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects
Milford	SCA Iowa (Current) Student Conservation Association, Inc.	5	AmeriCorps National
Monticello	Camp Courageous (August 9 - September 27, 2013) Camp Courageous	9	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects
North Liberty	FEMA- HSEMD Recovery Bureau- North Liberty, Iowa (July 9 - August 22, 2013) FEMA- HSEMD Recovery Bureau- Cedar Rapids, Iowa	8	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects
North Liberty	Region VII- DRC Identification (June 17 - August 7, 2013) FEMA - Region VII	6	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects
Oelwein	City of Oelwein Parks and Recreation (July 15 - July 31, 2013) City of Oelwein Parks & Recreation Department	7	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects
Sherrill	Camp Albrecht Acres (July 15 - August 2, 2013) Camp Albrecht Acres	8	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects
Tama	Meskwaki Food Sovereignty Initiative (Current) Sac & Fox Tribe of the Mississippi in Iowa	3	AmeriCorps VISTA
Urbandale	FEMA- Joint Field Office- Urbandale, IA (July 25 - August 22, 2013) FEMA- Joint Field Office- Urbandale, IA	6	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects
Urbandale	Urbandale, IA Public Assistance Specialist R07-042-IA-PAS-IAM (October 11 - November 17, 2013) FEMA- Joint Field Office- Urbandale, IA	9	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects
Vinton	Members at the North Central Region campus of AmeriCorps NCCC perform service projects throughout IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, NE, ND, OH, SD, and WI.	240	AmeriCorps NCCC Campus
Wapello	Louisa County Conservation Board (March 18 - April 26, 2013) Louisa County Conservation Board	8	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects



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Waterloo	Building Community Capacity to Alleviate Food Insecurity (Current) Iowa Food Bank Association	8	AmeriCorps VISTA

Notes: If there are programs with identical names in separate entries, they are different grants to the same organization. If no members are shown, either the grant is for planning or technical assistance, or enrollment data was not available at the time of printing.

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Senior Corps in Iowa



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CURRENT (as of March 2, 2014)		5,435	32
COMPLETED (within last 12 months)		912	5
Primary City	Program Name Sponsor Organization	Number of Participants	Program Type
Boone	Mid Iowa Foster Grandparent Program (Completed)	99	Foster Grandparent Program
Boone	RSVP 55+ Volunteer Program of Boone and Greene Counties (Current) Boone County Hospital	152	RSVP
Carroll	Foster Grandparent Program of Carroll County (Current) Carroll County Board	18	Foster Grandparent Program
Carroll	RSVP Carroll County (Current) Carroll County Board	356	RSVP
Cedar Rapids	Foster Grandparents Program (Current) Community Corrections Improvement Association	55	Foster Grandparent Program
Cedar Rapids	RSVP of Linn and Jones Counties (Current) United Way of East Central Iowa	424	RSVP
Charles City	Charles City FGP (Current) City of Charles City	88	Foster Grandparent Program
Clinton	RSVP of Clinton County (Current) Mobile Meals United Inc	225	RSVP
Council Bluffs	Pottawattamie County Senior Companion Program (Current) Connections Area Agency on Aging	17	Senior Companion Program
Council Bluffs	Southwest 8 Foster Grandparent Program (Current) Connections Area Agency on Aging	45	Foster Grandparent Program
Decorah	Northeast Iowa RSVP (Current) Decorah Public Library	275	RSVP
Des Moines	Foster Grandparent Program (Current) Visiting Nurse Services	66	Foster Grandparent Program
Des Moines	Foster Grandparent Program (Current) Visiting Nurse Services	81	Foster Grandparent Program
Des Moines	Senior Companion Program (Current) Visiting Nurse Services	62	Senior Companion Program
Des Moines	United Way of Central Iowa RSVP (Current) United Way of Central Iowa	255	RSVP
Dubuque	Dubuque RSVP (Completed) The Finley Hospital	368	RSVP
Dubuque	Foster Grandparent Program (Current) Dubuque Area Project Concern	39	Foster Grandparent Program
Dubuque	RSVP Dubuque County (Current) The Finley Hospital	360	RSVP
Fort Madison	North Lee County RSVP (Current) City of Fort Madison	93	RSVP
Ft. Dodge	Fort Dodge FGP (Current) City of Fort Dodge	55	Foster Grandparent Program
Iowa City	RSVP Johnson/Iowa/Muscatine/Des Moines (Current) Elder Services, Inc.	435	RSVP
Lamoni	RSVP of Southern Iowa (Current) Graceland University	48	RSVP
Mason City	RSVP at NIACC 2010-2013 (Completed) North Iowa Area Community College	198	RSVP
Mason City	RSVP of North Central Iowa (Current) North Iowa Area Community College	249	RSVP
Mt. Pleasant	Henry County RSVP (Current) Henry County Health Center	58	RSVP
Newton	Newton/Jasper RSVP (Current) JASPER COUNTY AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION DISTRICT	61	RSVP
Ottumwa	FGP of Wapello County (Current) American Home Finding Association	46	Foster Grandparent Program
Rock Valley	Rock Valley Rotary FGP (Current) Rock Valley Rotary Club Foundation	98	Foster Grandparent Program

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COMPLETED (within last 12 months)	912	5

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Rock Valley	Rock Valley Rotary Senior Companion Program (Current) Rock Valley Rotary Club Foundation	132	Senior Companion Program
Sioux City	RSVP of Woodbury County (Completed) Center For Siouxland	100	RSVP
Sioux City	RSVP of Woodbury County (Current) Center For Siouxland	85	RSVP
Spencer	Northwest Iowa RSVP (Current) Iowa Lakes Community College	300	RSVP
Spirit Lake	Dickinson County RSVP (Completed) Voluntary Action Center of the Iowa Great Lakes, Inc.	147	RSVP
Story City	Central Iowa RSVP (Current) Story City Senior Citizens, Inc.	600	RSVP
Story City	Central Iowa RSVP North (Current) Story City Senior Citizens, Inc.	275	RSVP
Waterloo	RSVP of Black Hawk/Fayette (Current) Covenant Medical Center	284	RSVP
Waterloo	SCP of Waterloo (Current) Hawkeye Community College	98	Senior Companion Program

Note: The city column refers to the location of sponsor organization. Volunteers may be serving in other locations than the city listed.

Nonprofit Subgrantees in Iowa

Program HQ Location	Nonprofit Subgrantee Name <i>Intermediary</i>	Description
Des Moines, IA	Central Iowa Works Funding Collaborative/United Way of Central Iowa Jobs for the Future, Inc.	Central Iowa Works Funding Collaborative is increasing their investment in workforce partnerships within the health care, energy and financial services sectors.